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HONGKONG, MARCH 7TH, 1905.

A visit to the ports in the Yangtze basin can hardly fail to convince even the most unbelieving that some progress has really been made towards the regeneration of China. This is shown not only in great things but still more in petty details, and is for the most part accompanied by a sensible improvement in the general condition of the people at large. In the lower river it is true, there is little external change to be noted; Chinkiang, Nanking, and Wuhu, to the casual passenger present much the same aspect as before; there is a greater number of receiving hulks, but the discomforts of the traveller in landing are much the same as before, and the same tumble-down stores and offices present themselves on his stopping on shore. But even here, owing to the great increase in the traffic, if the same untidiness and malodorousness is to be noticed, there is decidedly more bustle and life. There is little change in the number of the foreigners actually engaged in business, and no sign of the foreigners engrossing any increasing amount of the purely native business, and indeed the foreigners at the ports are for the most part, when engaged in business at all, directly in the employ of the various shipping companies. The foreigners actually resident in fact be found to belong to two main categories: they are officials engaged in the service of the Imperial Customs or Consuls of the various treaty Powers, or they are missionaries, Roman Catholic or Protestant, the last often exceeding in number all the other foreigners combined.

At some of the ports, notably Wuhu, the first thing to attract the attention of the traveller is the number of foreign buildings

capping the various hills and forming conspicuous objects in the landscape. On enquiry most of these will be found to be missionary buildings, either residences or such edifices as hospitals or schools belong, ing to the various religious denominations, and this advance of the missions is to a visitor one of the most remarkable signs of the times. It seems almost as if one of the dreams of the late ANSON BURLINGAME was in a fair way of being realised and "the Shining Cross" should gleam from every mountain in the land. More remarkable still is the fact that the innovation excites little remark from the people at large, who have seemingly accepted the inevitable or even look upon it with favourable eyes. High officials openly preside at the inauguration of these edifices and not unfrequently comment upon them in favourable terms. Not unfrequently the local authorities are on terms of personal friendship with the more respected of the local missionary body, and do not hesitate to come to them betimes for advice. Markedly too amongst the people the chance traveller is, in places where but a few years ago he would be addressed in the vilest of language or even openly assaulted, now treated with respect or gladly welcomed, and finds every facility offered, so far as the resources of the country extend, to his travelling freely. The fact is, of course, that the native has discovered that the advantages, which for many years he questioned, of "opening up" the country are almost altogether on his side, and that with improved facilities for getting about, and the opening of new markets for his products, he is in a much superior position than formerly. There is no doubt that the missionaries have contributed much towards this, and that the action of the medical missionary and the wide distribution of hospitals, where especially surgical cases can be treated, has materially improved the condition of the people. On the other hand the ordinary European being more brought in contact with the native, has acquired a better understanding of his good points, so that many of the barriers between the races formerly seemed insurmountable are gradually yielding to better influences on both sides.

The examples of such cities as Shanghai, where, under the control of a regular police, crime is effectually prevented, and where disease is evidently decreasing; under improved sanitation, have also not been lost in so practical a people as the Chinese people at large. The enormous traffic carried through its streets without accident or inconvenience, and with the slightest interference with individual liberty, and (to the Chinese mind) the enormous revenues raised without undue pressure has also had its effect on the native officials and slowly (but surely) the fact is having its effects on the cities of the interior. The late Viceroy of the Liang Kiang set the example of wide macadamised roads in this provincial capitals, and the example is being, albeit at a distance, followed in the other chief cities. Tientsin is also possessed up of a respectable police force fully organised under a foreign chief. It is true this was commenced under the control of the Foreign Commission after the capture of the city, but the fact that it has since been continued under direct native control and without the application of any pressure from without shows how capable of comprehending its utility are the new generation of rulers. In Sochow and Hangchow similar improvements are being gradually introduced, and even in the smaller cities like steps are being taken. Even so remote a city as Ichang has its police force uniformed and numbered; and what is true of police is likewise true of sanitation. The streets left a few years ago to take care of themselves are now in many cases regularly scavenged.

(To be continued.)

Mr. R. S. Gundry, C.B., has been nominated as the new President of the China Association for 1905-6.

Several possessors of illicit opium were charged before Mr. F. A. Hazeland at the Police Court yesterday morning and fines amounting to \$800 were inflicted.

Tientsin papers report that the Empress Dowager sent her personal congratulations and presents to Sir Robert Hart on his 70th birthday, Prince Ching and other nobles and high officials following suit.

Return of visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending the 5th March, 1905, were 277 non-Chinese, and 109 Chinese to the former, and 112 non-Chinese, and 3,531 Chinese to the latter institution.

Communicable diseases reported in Hongkong during the week ended March 4th were: Bubonic plague, none; diphtheria, two European cases; enteric fever, one Chinese case; smallpox, one Chinese case, fatal.

The present post-office premises are being extended, a portion of the hall leading up to the Supreme Court being utilised. A small door has been opened, where there was formerly a window, as the new entrance to the Supreme Court.

Sir Robert Douglas, who has nearly completed 40 years of service at the British Museum, the last thirteen as Keeper of the Oriental Books and Manuscripts, has just had his term extended by the Treasury for two years more.

The sloop *Rinaldo* (Com. D. St. A. Wake) was paid off at Sheerness on 31st Jan., and placed in the E. Division of the Medway Dockyard Reserve, her crew proceeding on 4th days' leave. The *Rinaldo* has returned her guns and stores, and will not be again employed on active service.

The notorious brigand leader Leung Tak, alias Ta Pa Min, whose extradition Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., instructed by Mr. R. J. Harding, has been applying for on behalf of the Chinese Government, was committed to gaol by Mr. H. J. Gompertz at the Police Court last week pending the order of the Governor.

Several professors of the School of Jiu-Jitsu, which has been established in London, gave a demonstration of their skill in the Drill Hall at Chelsea Barracks. First Messrs. Miyake and Tani, and then Messrs. Kanya and Eida, gave exhibitions of some of their wonderful throws and bonebreaking locks. After these came the contests, four Guardsmen coming forward to oppose Mr. Tani and Mr. Miyake. Each one of these men was powerfully built, and in height stood a head above his adversary. They all showed the greatest pluck and determination, and had not the least reason to be ashamed of their defeats, since both Mr. Tani and Mr. Miyake are experts in their art, the latter being a champion in his own style in Japan. The Guardsmen seem to be children in the hands of the professors, who throw them about the stage almost at will, but always taking care to soften the falls when some of the deadliest throws were put into practice. As soon as the soldiers attempted to use their strength they were lost, for the Japanese had them tripped or thrown and pinned down and helpless in a moment. Joe Acton, the Lancashire catch-as-catch-can light-weight, fared little better than the Guardsmen, for Mr. Miyake threw him to the ground quite easily.

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TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."
SIR,—Some of the correspondents in the press discussing this subject tell us that if only European ladies would do their own marketing they would get their provisions much cheaper. I do not know how this conclusion is arrived at. The great majority of European ladies live a considerable distance from the market, and assuming that they could beat the butcher down in his prices a little—a doubtful assumption—it would resolve itself into expending 30 cents on chairs or cresses to save 5 cents on the cost of the meat.—Yours,

OBSERVER.

MR. SERGEANT'S BOOK.

"The Courtships of Catherine the Great" by Philip W. Ferguson, late of Hongkong, will be published by Mr. Werner Laurie at once. Recent events have called the closest attention to Russia and her autocratic government. It is not generally known probably that for one brief period in the Eighteenth Century delegates from all parts of Russia were allowed full liberty to discuss public affairs and to suggest most sweeping reforms. Yet such was the case in the year 1776—1778, during the sittings of the Commission on the Code called by the Tsarina Catherine II. The liberty of speech allowed in these years is without a parallel in Russian history before or since. The reign of Catherine the Great, which saw this remarkable experiment and as its result a vast improvement in the laws of Russia, was also marked by a great extension of the country's boundaries until they touched the Niemen, the Danester, and the Black Sea. It was the reign of Catherine which witnessed Russia really enter the European family of nations; and had the advance then made been continued we should not be seeing such events as those of January 1905. It is impossible to regard the public acts of this remarkable woman apart from her private life, so much were they interwoven, and so much did the affairs of her heart react on the course of her policy. The history of the at achievements of one who was, at the same time, so strong-minded a woman; and the picture of Russian society just emerging into being in her reign, are of singular attraction.

YACHTING.

CORINTHIAN YACHT CLUB.

Members of the Corinthian Yacht Club had very poor sport on Sunday. Owing to lack of wind the boats did not proceed further than the other side of Stonecutters, though their pre-arranged destination was Tsin Wan Bay. Then it came on to rain, and the weather was very chilly. *Waratah* won the owners' race; *Cass*, sailed by Mr. C. Leblond, the visitors' race; and *Cass*, sailed by Mr. G. B. Shepherd, the non-boating members' race. *Nibertia* came in first in the latter event but was disqualified on account of being sailed by a non-member. *Ariel* and *Aethere* also took part in the one-design contests. Only two boats, *Active* and *Dart*, competed in the cruisers' race, the latter winning. *La Cicole* and *Erie* were also out. The races were very short. The yachts were towed back by a launch at about 7 p.m.

TELEGRAMS.

["DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.]

THE NEW NAVY LORD.

LONDON, 6th March.

Frederick Archibald Vaughan Campbell, third Earl of Cawdor, one of the King's A.D.C.'s, succeeds the Earl of Selborne as First Lord of the Admiralty.

ITALIAN MINISTRY RESIGNS.

LONDON, 6th March.

Signor Giolitti's cabinet, formed two years ago, has resigned.

THE TERRIBLE TURK AGAIN.

LONDON, 6th March.

The Mohammedans have slaughtered a thousand Armenians.

[REUTERS' SERVICE.]

THE NORTH SEA INDEMNITY CLAIM.

LONDON, 4th March.

The British indemnity claim in the North Sea affair has been presented to the Russian Government. It amounts to £65,000 sterling.

THE STRIKES IN RUSSIA.

LONDON, 4th March.

The strike affects every trade in Warsaw, where the strikers are assuming a threatening demeanour, and using revolvers and bombs. Unless the Government can force the gasmen to resume work, the city will be in darkness on Sunday.

The Tsar's manifesto has had a bad effect and the authorities are hastily concentrating troops at Warsaw and Lodz.

THE WAR.

[BY COURTESY OF THE JAPANESE CONSUL.]

CONTINUOUS JAPANESE SUCCESSES.

TOKYO, 5th March.

In the direction of Hingking our detachment drove some days ago the enemy back to his positions 15 miles south-east of Fushun, and 15 miles south of Fushun, and an engagement is now proceeding. In the direction of Shaho the enemy's repeated attacks in the night of the 3rd inst. were all repulsed. In the district lying west of the railway our troops continue to deliver fierce attacks and are now in occupation of the district extending from Wuchenyang 5 miles west of Shaho, to Sufupu, 8 miles northwest of Wuchenyang.

On the right bank of Hanho our troops, after successively repulsing the enemy, proceeded to the northward and broke the enemy's line of defence extending from Chanton to Sufungting. Continuing a hot pursuit, they have already reached a line extending from Wotzupu, 15 miles southwest of Mukden, to Tatzupu, 13 miles west of Mukden, and Lamuh, 3 miles north of Tatzupu.

The enemy's casualties, and our booty, in the last few days were considerable, but they are not yet ascertained. The enemy's storehouses for clothing at Tabantai was also captured.

A SHIPPING DISPUTE.

A dispute between Messrs. Behn, Meyer and Co., the Singapore Agents of the North German Lloyd Orient Line, and the Chinese rice dealers importing from Bangkok, has been settled by mutual arrangement.

Some time ago, says the *Bangkok Times*, the dealers made a claim for damages against Behn, Meyer and Co., as agents of this line, on account of the spoiling of a quantity of rice which formed the cargo of two of the company's steamers sailing from Bangkok to Singapore. The cause of the damage was alleged, on the one part, to be the negligence of the company's servants in leaving porticoes open with the result that the water got to the cargo; on the other side, a precedent the action was based on the fact that the cargo was damaged by rough weather simply. Messrs. Behn, Meyer and Co. accordingly repudiated responsibility, replying that the dealers ought to have insured their cargoes. The dealers thereupon entered into a sort of boycott against the company, a course of action which the dull condition of the rice trade rendered possible. On the same grounds, scarcity of cargo, the shipping company was equally indifferents to whether cargoes were forthcoming or not. So things came, more or less, to a deadlock, and the intervention of the China New Year protracted the situation. Recently, however, a telegram was received in Bangkok, where the agents, Messrs. Winder and Co., have been doing their best to effect a settlement, stating that a mutual arrangement had been arrived at. Taking as a precedent the action of certain Chinese ship owners, the North German Lloyd Orient Line has granted a certain amount as compensation and the whole matter has been settled as in former cases of the kind. The view that the shipping agents take appears to be a reasonable one. Rice dealers ship cargo without insurance, and whilst saving the premium if everything goes well, as it usually does, want to place the responsibility upon, and get compensation from, the shipping companies if anything happens.

"The Orchid" last night was excellent; but as the play was not over until half an hour after midnight, the extended criticism must wait for the morrow's issue. A packed theatre last night was mightily pleased, and demanded numerous encores. "Little Mary" must not be missed.

SUPREME COURT.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

Monday, 6th March.

BEFORE SIR H. S. BERKELEY (CHIEF JUSTICE).

WONG LUT WAN V. TAM CHAK U.
The hearing of this action was commenced on the 15th September last and was adjourned on the 16th September.

The plaintiff claimed:—(1) That specific performance be decreed of an agreement in writing made between the plaintiff (as vendor) and the defendant (as purchaser) on the 28th May 1903 for the sale of certain property registered in the Hongkong Land Office as "the remaining portion of Inland Lot No. 1216," subject to a certain indenture of mortgage registered in the Land Office by Memorial No. 29,392, and to the payment of \$27,500 portion of the principal sum of \$100,000 and the interest thereon thereby secured. (2) That the defendant be ordered to pay plaintiff \$5,000 damages. (3) For such further relief as the Court should deem meet.

The Hon. Mr. E. H. Sharp, K.C., instructed by Mr. R. Harding (of Messrs. Evans and Harston) appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., instructed by Mr. Almeida e Castro for the defendant.

The defendant's counsel (Mr. M. W. Slade) at the previous hearing claimed the right to begin, and the plaintiff's counsel concurred. The defendant stated that when the contract was made, the property was misrepresented to him. It consisted of six houses in Richmond Terrace, which the defendant agreed to buy for \$81,500. It was stated that the property was at that time let for \$650 per month, but this afterwards proved to be false. The defendant did not inspect the houses till after the sale.

The plaintiff stated that in the middle of May 1903 he entrusted the property in question to a broker, with permission to sell at \$70,000. At the end of the month the broker met the defendant and mentioned the property to him. The defendant inspected the property. Only one house was then occupied, the rental being \$80 per month, but another house was let for \$110. Later the defendant saw the broker and offered \$60,000, and with the plaintiff's consent, a bargain was finally struck at \$81,500. Nothing about the rental was mentioned.

It was stated in evidence that the houses were situated in a fever district, and it was difficult to let them on this account. The defendant's case was that he was induced into the contract by fraud, the rental at \$650 appearing in the preliminary agreement. At first the rental was not stated, and defendant pointed this out to the broker. The broker went back to the plaintiff and "rental, \$650" was added.

The plaintiff, on the other hand, brought evidence to prove that the words "rental, \$650" were not on the document when it was handed to the defendant. They had been added, and the defendant was uttering a forgery.

Hon. Mr. Sharp called the head Chinese, writer of the Registrar-General's Office, to compare the writing of the body of the document in question with the words relating to rental.

Mr. Pollock objected to this man's evidence being received as expert evidence, and the Chief Justice held with him that Mr. Sharp showed that his witness was employed in the Registrar-General's Office distinguishing, by comparisons of handwriting, whether certain documents were genuine.

Witness, Au Fung Chee, said the handwritings were different, the characters for "rental, \$650" being an imitation of the style of the document.

Hon. Mr. Sharp—I shall not ask your Lordship to state that someone has committed a forgery, but will ask if the defendant has proved his case.

His Lordship—The strongest point against the defendant is the great difference between the real rental and that on the document. The broker may have added the words.

Hon. Mr. Sharp produced specimens of the broker's handwriting which witness said were quite different from the added words. The broker's handwriting was a "coolie's"; the man would not be capable of adding the words.

Mr. Pollock drew attention to differences, similar to those pointed out by witness, in writing admitted to be that of one person.

His Lordship—The only question is, were these words added for the purposes of this case.

Hon. Mr. Sharp—That is so, My Lord. The defendant and the broker were faced. The latter said he never said the houses were let for \$650, and the defendant said that this was false.

The case was adjourned.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR MR. T. SERCOMBE SMITH (JUDGE).

Mr. E. J. Grist appeared on behalf of Bootho Singh, an Indian watchman employed at Kowloon, who sued Yeung Ah Frit, bar-boy at the Police Station, for \$181. A promissory note for \$150 was produced, the balance being interest due on same. Defendant stated that the plaintiff lent him \$100 on condition that he signed a promissory note for \$150. He paid interest for eight months, \$80 in all. The interest claimed was due.

Judgment for the plaintiff with costs.

The Imperial Japanese Government is now issuing the fourth series of 6 per cent treasury bonds to the amount of 100,000,000 yen. These bonds are for issue in Japan; and the Yokohama Specie Bank are acting as agents of the Bank of Japan in the matter. The issue price is 90 yen. Doubtless many in China who prefer to invest their savings in gold will be tempted to look with favour upon this investment. The loan is redeemable in seven years.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LD.

ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING.

The 36th ordinary general meeting of shareholders in the Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited, was held at the offices of the General Managers (Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Company) yesterday. The Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson (Chairman) presided, and there were also present Sir C. P. Chater, C.M.G., Messrs. H. P. White, F. Maitland and A. J. Raymond (Consulting Committee), Mr. G. T. Veitch (Secretary), and Messrs. T. Arnold, W. A. Cruickshank, J. R. Michael, S. J. Michael, S. H. Michael, W. H. Michael, G. H. Potts, S. A. Joseph, W. H. Wickham, P. Testor, F. Hall, Ho Fook, Wong and Lo Sai Choo.

The SECRETARY read the notice convening the meeting.

The CHAIRMAN said:—Gentlemen, with your permission, we will adopt the usual custom and take the report and accounts as read. I think I may safely congratulate you on the outcome of the 1904 account. Our risks ran off without any serious losses, and with your approval we propose dealing with balances of \$3,222.22 by the addition of \$3,222.22 to the reserve fund, which will then stand at the substantial sum of \$1,200,510.00, and the payment of a dividend of \$34. per share. The balance at credit of the 1904 working account is somewhat less than last year. This is owing to the numerous fires during the past twelve months, none of any great extent, but the claims aggregating a considerable sum. In addition to the amount appearing in the account, \$87,561.98 losses actually paid, we know of further claims, at present in course of adjustment, estimated at \$44,839.11. This is disappointing, and I can only hope our outstanding risks will run off in a favourable manner. Our surveys report that in every instance the properties mortgaged show ample margins on the sums advanced. There is nothing further in the accounts calling for any special comment from me, but before proposing the adoption of the report and accounts as presented I shall be pleased to answer any question pertaining thereto which shareholders may have to ask.

If there are no questions, I beg to propose that the report and accounts as presented be adopted and passed.

Mr. G. H. Potts—I have very much pleasure in seconding. I am sure that I express the feeling of the shareholders in congratulating the directors on the very good results of the year's work, and I only hope that his remarks about the present year will turn out better than he anticipates.

The report and accounts were adopted.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Mr. W. A. CRUICKSHANK proposed and Mr. T. ARNOLD seconded that the appointment of Mr. H. P. White on the Consulting Committee be confirmed, and that Sir C. P. Chater, C.M.G., Messrs. F. Maitland, A. J. Raymond and H. P. White be re-elected on the Consulting Committee.

This was carried.

Mr. J. R. MICHAEL proposed, Mr. Ho Fook seconded, and it was carried, that Messrs. W. H. Potts and T. Arnold be re-elected auditors.

The CHAIRMAN—That concludes the business of the meeting, gentlemen. Thank you for your attendance. Dividend warrant can be had at the offices of the General Managers at 10 a.m. to-morrow.

A DRUNKEN SAILORS' SPREE.

Two sailors were charged before Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz at the Police Court yesterday with behaving in a disorderly manner on electric car No. 7, also with assaulting the motorman thereof on Sunday last. The defendants boarded the car near the Hongkong Hotel, taking the front seat where stands the motorman. Shortly after getting on, the first defendant wished to take a turn at the wheel. The motorman objected, so he sat down. Both defendants then put their feet up on the front glasses of the car, and when the motorman ordered them to remove them, the first defendant again wished to take charge of the steering gear. When at Ship Street the motorman stopped the car and ordered him to leave. The second defendant got out, but the first would not, saying he was determined to take the handle and drive the car. The motorman, however, still remained at his post, and the first defendant dealt him a blow on the face. The second defendant then came up to help his friend take the position of driver, but the motorman took the handle off, and shortly afterwards the defendants were arrested. The first was ordered to pay a fine of \$50, and the second was mulcted in the amount of \$15.

CAZAR LOUIS XVI.

Swinburne, in the *Pall Mall Gazette* on January 24th, had these strong lines over his name:—

Peace on his lying lips, and on his hands
Blood, smiled and covered the tyrant, seeing
His bonds breakers perish and reclaim their Czar.
Now, sheltered scarce by Murder's loyal bands,
Clothed on with slaughters, naked else, he stands;
His flies and stands not. Now the blood red star
That marks the face of midnight as a scar,
Trembling, trembles on the brow of his brand,
And shudders towards the pit where deathless
Leaves no life more for liars and slayers to
Live.
Fly, coward, and cover, while time is thine
to fly;
Cherish while thy terror-shortened breath,
Not as thy gratitude died, if justice give
Judgment, but slain by judgment thou shalt die.

PARIS.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

February 3rd.

A PARIS SCENE.

The bombs found in this city during the early part of the week, and which created a veritable scare among Parisians, whether a hoax or not, point a moral and adorn a tale, so to speak. They are admitted to have their particular significance, since at best they were the correlation of startling events happening in Russia. They further show how ready the French anarchists are to lend a helping hand to their confederates the Russian revolutionists, by frightening if not actually causing the death of the many wealthy Russians living in this metropolis. To leave the French capital for safer quarters as quickly as possible is the Government's advice to prominent members of the Russian colony here. Not only has the Russian Military Attaché here had a narrow escape, but half a dozen peaceful citizens have been more or less severely wounded by fragments of glass and tin. Parisians may be excused for wondering whether they are in for a repetition of the Anarchist attempts which made Paris a good place to keep away from during 1892, 1893, 1894. May such terrible events not again be witnessed.

THE NORTH SEA INQUIRY

grows more and more exciting daily, owing to the Russians being absolutely unable to secure a single victory over the Hull fishermen. Captain Clado made a decidedly unfavourable impression upon all those present by his evasive answers to the pointed questions of Mr. Pickford, K.C., who was more than a Tartar for him. By way of explaining why the last sentences in the letter written by Admiral Rodzestvensky, and handed to the Commissioners were crossed out in ink, the Captain replied—"Because we were all astonished—[it pays to be astonished sometimes]—at the hysterical tone of the British Press, which showed recriminations upon our Russian officers of the Baltic Squadron without bearing our side of the question. Admiral Rodzestvensky expressed himself concerning this fact in very energetic and bitter terms, and that is why I considered it necessary to cross out the strong expressions in the last portion of his letter." How kind! "Will you tell me why no ship of the Baltic squadron was left to render assistance to the disabled fishing boats?" was Mr. Pickford's next awkward question, put to Captain Clado. The latter, who was quite unprepared for such a shot, visibly winced, and answered in so evasive a manner that the French President, Admiral Fourrier, who is most anxious to get to the end of the Commission as quickly as possible, considered it his duty to call upon Captain Clado to answer the question more precisely. "Well," continued the Captain, who felt most uncomfortable, "so far as I can recollect, the Admiral considered that it was advisable to continue his route. There was a large number of steam trawlers on the spot able to give the necessary assistance, and it was not considered prudent to leave a Russian warship to stand by the fishing fleet in view of the proximity of the torpedo-boats." The Crane was badly damaged and sank because she had to suffer from the alternate firing from every ship in the squadron. Captain Clado cut a most sorry figure throughout yesterday's proceedings.

THE FAUBOURG ST. ANTOINE.

No one who has paid a visit to the popular University of the Faubourg St. Antoine, situated right in the heart of a thickly populated working class quarter of Paris, has had cause to regret it. The University in question is a splendid institution, and deserves every encouragement; it is open every evening from seven till eleven, the subscription being half a franc, or ten cents per month. There is a reading library and a reading-room; lectures are given every evening; so are concerts and theatre performances, Sunday included. This House of the People is a veritable Polytechnic for the benefit of artisans, who are afforded every means to improve their respective positions, besides finding rest in harmless amusements. There are classes in which all languages are taught, shorthand, diction, and photography; members are also taught how to play draughts correctly, how to sing, and how to play every sort of musical instrument. The number of members who joined the Popular University during the last three months has been close upon four thousand, and the daily cry is still they come. A few more exemplary institutions like these, and France will prove to the world, that the League of Peace is leaving no stone unturned.

EDWARD VII A PARISIEN.

No one is more anxious to see King Edward in Paris than those in an official capacity than M. Loubet. So much political good has been done during the last visit of His Majesty, and the return visit of the President, that Parisians would only be too pleased to be afforded an opportunity to testify their gratitude to King Edward in person. Parisians have gone to look upon His Majesty as akin to one of themselves, whose tastes and sympathies are identical with their own, and whose only drawback is that his permanent address is on the other side of the Channel, instead of Paris. The giving of the King's name to one of the bridges over the Seine is one of the highest compliments paid since a long day to a Monarch who has never ceased to be their best friend.

A L'HEURE.

All cabs are now provided with the horo-kilometre, better known as the taximetre. The device is now used generally, and cabmen say that on the whole they prefer it to the taximetre. If tips become daily more rare, drivers always have a few sous at any rate to take home; this was not so under the old system.

VOLCANIC CASES.

Professor Janssens, one of the shining lights of the French scientific world, has just laid before the Academy a most interesting report, relating to his recent researches on Mount

Vesuvius. Exceedingly fascinating is the way in which the distinguished geologist-scientist describes his arduous climb to the very brink of the great crater, as well as the manner in which he succeeded in extracting gases from its very depths, as if drawing water from a well. His report deals with an ingenious arrangement of valves, were opened and closed after taking in gas. These gases are to be subjected to special tests shortly, in order to establish their relation to the solar emanations and vapours.

YELLOW PERIL.

According to M. Doumer, the new President of the French Chamber, Japan is the common enemy of Europe. While Governor-General of Indo-China in 1897, he urged the impious necessity for Europe in general and for France in particular to crush the rising power of Japan, before it became formidable. M. Doumer further declared that besides looking upon herself as assignee for all the Asiatic possessions of France, Russia, Spain, and Holland, Japan sought vengeance on France for her action in relation to Port Arthur, after the China-Japan War.

CANTON.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

Canton, 4th March.

THE VICE-ROY'S RETURN.

His Excellency the Viceroy Shun Chou Kiu having successfully suppressed the Kwangsi rebellion, requested the Imperial Government to allow him to return to Canton. By order of the Emperor, he started from Wu Chow on the 1st inst. by the gunboat *Tung Sai* and arrived at Sun Sui the same evening. Next morning the 2nd inst. with several attendants, *incognito*, he travelled by the Sun Sui railway to Canton. When they got to the mouth of his arrival, it was too late for the officials to receive him. Later the Provincial Treasurer landed him the official seal of the Viceroyalty. All his civil and military officials, the writers, attendants and soldiers who have been staying with him in Wu Chow are returning.

OBSTRUCTIVE PRIESTS.

By order of the Imperial Government, almost all the Jesuit houses, the priests' temples, and the convents, have to allow some space for school work. The priests are at all satisfied, and are doing their best to oppose and give trouble to the country. So on the morning of the 26th February when the School in the Cheong Sow Taz Buddhist temple was being opened for the reception of the scholars, over thirty priests went into the schoolrooms, broke all the tables and chairs, and the tablets, and took away many things. As they were doing so, they incited the crowds that were gathering there to help them to make a noise, and to throw stones at the Commissemen. Many persons had their heads broken. The Magistrate of the Nam Hoi and Pun Yui went with soldiers and police to suppress the riot. Subsequently the priests, called a meeting to ventilate their grievances, and the gentry also called meeting after meeting to protest against the acts of the riotous priests, both parties presenting petitions to the Magistrate.

QUEER LOTTERY PIDDIN.

Since the house property, lands, jewelry, and clothing of the gambling monopolist Li Sai Kwai, and of the ex-Nam Hoi Magistrate, Pui Kingfuk, were seized and confiscated by order of the government, a lottery has been made of them at \$5 a ticket. It was to be drawn on the 16th of the 1st moon, but as the greater part of the tickets were not sold, the drawing was postponed till the 16th of the 2nd moon. The people have already lost confidence in the officials; and suspect them of fraud. In order to get rid of the tickets the officials and Weiung of the *lekin* stations have given away the tickets, at a discount, to their clerks and servants, and to soldiers in payment of their wages.

NAVAL NOTES.

R.M.S. "GLORY."

A letter from Hongkong appears in the last issue to hand of the *Naval & Military Record*. The correspondent writes that H.M.S. *Glory* is essentially the training ship of the China Squadron. The novel system of seamanship training recently initiated in the *Glory* by Lieut. Rymer is proving a very efficient and welcome innovation in adapting the newly-raised men to modern seamanship and naval requirements. Under his tuition the five years (short service) men have developed into riggers, and are carrying out most of the ship's work, with such good results that the system is being favoured by other ships, and may with advantage become general.

Commander T. L. Shelford, of the *Glory*, is still as keen as ever in pugilistic enterprises, and, being himself an exponent of no mean order of "the noble art," whose fame as such will be remembered when he was navigating the periodical boxing bouts in the flagship with much success. At the last tournament, recently held on board, he presented a silver cup for the best all round boxer, which was won by T. Carson, L.S. Commander Shelford recently entertained to dinner on shore 30 of the flag-ship's pugilists, who spent a very enjoyable evening.

THE MOSQUITO SQUADRON.

It seems hardly possible, says the same journal, that at the end of 1904 the Mosquito Squadron, once so prominent in supporting consular authority at the treaty ports of the China Station, has passed out of being; but such is the case, for with the paying off of the sloop *Roche*, on the 31st December, gunboat life on the station was brought to a close. The abolition of the squadron, although depriving a few naval officers of snug emplacements, and may be, sub-lieutenants of soft times, is considered to be another of the practical and speedy reforms which have marked Sir Gerard Noel's command of the China Station.

CHINESE CADETS.

Six Chinese cadets are serving on board British ships on the China station. They had their quivers removed, and seemed delighted with their naval outfit.

CITY HALL COMPANY.

The report for the 12 months ending December 31, to be submitted to the Annual Meeting of Shareholders in May last on leaving the City Hall, to be held on 9th March, reads:—

COMMITTEE AND STAFF.

Hon. Mr. C. W. Dickson resigned the position of Chairman in May last on leaving the Colony, and Hon. Mr. W. J. Grosson succeeded him *ex officio*.
Mr. C. S. Sharp resigned his seat on the Committee on leaving the Colony. The Committee now consists of the Chairman, Messrs. B. Layton (Hon. Treasurer); H. N. Moily, N. A. Stobs and H. E. Pollock, K.C. There have been no changes of any importance in the Staff.

THE STATE OF THE BUILDING.

The whole of the roofs have been retiled and all defective timbers renewed and new ceiling to the Ball-Room suite (composed of cement plaster on expanded metal lathings) constructed at a total cost of about \$8,000.

Ordinary general repairs cost \$1,350.53.

The usual annual inspection was made in September by the Architects, Messrs. Palmer & Turner, who report that the general condition of the building is satisfactory.

THEATRE, &c.

The Pit has been re-seated with benches without arms increasing the accommodation and facilitating the means of access. Movable electric lamps have been fixed in the orchestra. The Amateur Dramatic Club gave some very successful performances, and the Theatre was also let to the Dallas Opera Company, Pollard's Lilliputian Company and many minor travelling companies, as well as for local concerts and entertainments.

The total rent received in 1904 was \$12,161.96, a large increase on previous years, but the expenses of lighting, &c., increased proportionately.

THE LIBRARY.

The number of books published in Hongkong deposited in the Library during 1904 was 52, of which the majority were religious publications from the Nazareth Printing Press.

140 books were added to the Free Lending Collection and 148 borrowers' tickets issued. The total number of borrowers on 31st Dec. was 267, drawn from all sections of the population, whose demand for literature deserves an increased supply.

The proprietors of the "Gazette" and local newspapers, the members of the Committee and periodicals, which are much appreciated by visitors to the Library.

About 11,500 non-Chinese and 4,500 Chinese made use of the Library during the year.

MUSEUM.

A few specimens of birds and snakes, and numerous butterflies and other insects have been added to the Museum, which was visited by nearly 100,000 Chinese and about 4,500 non-Chinese during the year.

ACCOUNTS.

The balance in the hands of the Treasurer on closing the accounts for 1904 was \$2,229.82.

The reserve fund on fixed deposit in the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, which has been increased by adding the accrued interest, stands at \$15,774.41.

The ordinary revenue (excluding balance brought forward and interest on fixed deposits) amounted to \$18,878.06 and the ordinary expenditure to \$12,678.83.

The extraordinary expenditure on the roofs and repairs has been paid for out of revenue. A statement of accounts is attached.

W. J. GROSSON,
Chairman.

Account of receipts and expenditure from 1st January to 31st December, 1904.

To balance in hands of Treasurer as shown in last report	\$3,032.34
To rent of theatre &c.	\$12,161.96
To rent of Ball Room, St. Andrew's Hall, &c.	4,263.58
To rent of Chamber of Commerce	761.65
To rent of Chamber of Commerce	130.60
To rent of Chamber of Commerce	1,200.00
To sale of library catalogues, fines, and sundries	252.31
To interest on current account	105.57
	18,378.06
	22,914.40
By salaries and wages	\$4,425.20
By retelling and repairing roofs, new ceiling and pendants	8,504.75
By general repairs	1,539.83
By electric light and gas	3,359.31
By water, fire, and police	355.75
By office, library and museum sundries	707.70
By fire insurance	1,355.20
By refund of deposit for theatre	331.93
	\$24,556.53
By balance in bank exclusive of fixed deposits	2,229.82
	\$22,326.71

A MANILA VIEW OF CHINESE POLITICS.

The Manila *Cable* thus understands the situation in China:

If the plans which are now under consideration by the Chinese Government materialize, China within the next decade or so will have one of the most powerful navies in the world. Under this plan a large number of the brightest young men in China are to be educated in the American and European naval colleges, and a programme of building is to be inaugurated, which contemplates not less than twenty-five battleships of the first class with armored cruisers and small vessels in sufficient number to round out the fleet in accordance with the most advanced ideas of naval strategy.

The idea is to have educated Chinese officers ready to take the subordinate positions at all events aboard these ships as soon as they are completed, employing foreigners for the higher positions in command until such time as the Chinese officers have gained experience sufficient to warrant placing them in charge.

Ultimately it is proposed to eliminate the foreign element in both the navy and the army from the plan which has proved so successful in Japan of having no foreigners whatever in any positions in command of the Government. The first step in the carrying out of this scheme is already under way, that is the arranging of the finances. Sir Robert Hart is working out the problem of money, which is admittedly a difficult one.

SMALL P X AT SHANGHAI.

The Health Officer's Report (for January) to the Shanghai Municipal Council, said:—

During January the number of deaths among the foreign resident population was 16; there were in addition 7 deaths among non-residents.

Among the Chinese population the number of deaths during the month was 638.

During January the incidence of small-pox which was so marked during the previous months, considerably declined, though the cases, both among Chinese and foreigners, remain of a severe type. Among the Chinese there were 123 deaths as against 315 last month. Among foreigners, however, there were 33 cases notified, nine of which were fatal, compared with 31 cases and 60 deaths last month. The cases among foreigners have occurred among those imperfectly vaccinated and the great value of vaccination, repeated until it no longer takes, has been amply demonstrated. There is so much small-pox infection every winter in China that vaccination should be repeated every three years. All Chinese and also indigenous foreigners are vaccinated free of charge at the Health Office, No. 1, Henan Road, at 10 a.m. daily. 150 such vaccinations were done during the month, 5,000 tubes of vaccine have been sent out from the Laboratory during the month. The small-pox accommodation at the new Municipal Hospital for infectious diseases in Bangoo Road has been fully occupied but towards the end of the month there were fewer admissions. The new Disinfection Station has been very busy; 90 rooms having been disinfected and nearly 6,000 articles passed through the steam disinfecter.

Apart from small-pox the Settlement has been remarkably free from preventable disease. The method of collection of household refuse will be applied to the whole of the Western District early next month. Householders are respectfully requested not to allow house refuse to be thrown on the roads but to provide a proper receptacle. This receptacle will be emptied daily by the sanitary coolies. No responsibility can be taken by the Health Department for the proper removal of house refuse unless such receptacles are provided by householders. For small-pox an ordinary galvanised iron pail is recommended, but for large households a galvanised iron tin should be used, an approved pattern of which will be sent at a charge of \$4 on receipt of an intimation addressed to the Health Office.

DEATHS REGISTERED.

	Non-Chinese, Chinese.
Small-pox	189
Typhoid Fever	9
Cholera	0
Tuberculosis	135
Total from all causes	16,693

INFECTIOUS DISEASE NOTIFIED AMONG NON-CHINESE.

	Non-Chinese.
Small-pox	38
Cholera	0
Typhoid Fever	3
Diphtheria	7
Scarlet Fever	1
Tuberculosis	2

ISOLATION HOSPITAL.

Admitted to Hospital	118
Discharged	110
Died	13
Remaining last day of month	56
Out-Patients	249
Vaccinations	1,150

CHINA'S COMING CRISIS.

In its "Native Notes" the *N. C. Daily News* has this on March 1st:—

A private letter from Peking states that the high officials in the Capital have only lately begun to recognize what has been patent to every one else outside Peking, that, with the close of the present war, China will have to pass through a grave crisis threatening the very foundations of her independence, and that to avert anarchy and chaos the forces of the Empire must be well armed and prepared for emergencies and immediate service. In view of this, we learn that there is now evident a feverish anxiety among Manchu Civil and Military officials in the Capital properly to arm the various Banner Corps organisations.

Manchu as well as Mongol and Hui (Han Chinese) Banner organisations in Peking and its immediate vicinity. Up to the middle of February, the authorities have succeeded in providing some twenty-eight battalions of Bannermen with either Mannlicher or Mauser magazine rifles, not counting a force of some 7,000 Manchus who have been equipped with modern rifles since 1902. But it is stated on reliable authority that at least 9,000 more magazine rifles are needed to arm these Banner Corps under mention, without which the defence of the capital would not be anywhere complete, and instructions have accordingly been telegraphed to the small-arms factories in the Yangtze provinces to set to work in making the rifles needed, whilst contracts are being made with foreign arms manufacturing companies for the immediate supply of many thousands more.

Finally, it must be understood that the Banner troops under mention are only those who have been selected during the past eighteen months to form the nucleus of a foreign-modelled army for the protection of Peking, and that if all the Banner Corps organisations (Manchu, Mongol and Hui) of China, which are in existence, be properly enrolled and armed, as far as can be learned at present to have the Banner regiments prepared for immediate service, that is to say, by the middle of the coming summer, they will amount to nearly 50,000 of all arms. It must also be understood that neither Viceroy Yuan Shih-kai's nor General Ma Yu-kun's foreign modelled forces are included in the foregoing. Of these latter, who of course are all of Chinese descent, there are according to reliable information, about 25,000 really useful and properly equipped men with good officers over them. Besides these there are some 35,000 men of inferior discipline but good quality, and partially armed with modern weapons, only waiting to be properly trained and offered like their better-drilled comrades.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The P. & O. steamer *Nubia* left Singapore for this port on the 5th inst. at 6 a.m., with the outward English mails, and is due here on the 10th inst. at 6 a.m.

The F.M. steamer *Korea*, with mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 14th inst. via Honolulu, leaves Yokohama for this port via Kobe, &c., on the morning of the 8th inst., and is due here on the 16th inst.

The C.P.R. steamer *Athenian* arrived at Shanghai at 11 a.m. on Monday, the 6th inst., and left again at midnight same day for Hongkong where she is due to arrive at 5 p.m. on Thursday, the 9th inst.

The H.A.L. steamer *Nassau*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the 4th inst., and may be expected here on the 10th inst.

The J.C.-J. Lijn steamer *Tijndahl* left Kobe via Moji and Amoy for this port on the 2nd inst., and may be expected here on the 14th inst.

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Hongkong, 27th December, 1904.

THE DOWAGER EMPRESS OF CHINA.

At the meeting of the Central Asia Society on 1st Feb. Sir Robert K. Douglas read a paper on "The Dowager Empress of China," who, he said, was of Manchu blood, but of a poor family, and in her early career could be seen "bargaining for commodities" with peripatetic hawkers for "the requirements of her narrow household."

By an unwritten law established by the present dynasty only Manchus are eligible for the Imperial throne. At the proper time she presented herself as a member of the ruling race for inspection, was selected, and soon became a favourite with the then Emperor, Hien-fung. Aspiring, ambitious, and persevering, attractive and entertaining, she possessed, with the addition of unscrupulousness, all the essentials for greatness in the Celestial Empire. And greatness she soon attained. To the Emperor she presented a son and heir in 1856. She then became "Junior Empress." When the Emperor died in Manchuria in 1860 and died, he appointed a reactionary regency, but the two Empresses, with Prince Kung, upset this arrangement and obtained the power. As Junior Empress Tzu-hsi had little to do but amuse herself, and she did so, according to common report, in ways of which Confucius would not have approved. When her son married, he was not on good terms with her, and he died suddenly of small-pox, so it was said, though there were ugly rumours of other causes of death. The widow did not long survive, it was announced that her health was failing, and soon after that she had become a guest on high. The Dowager then chose an heir to the Throne in the person of Tzu-hsi's infant nephew, the son of her sister. Disension arose between the two sisters, and the heir's mother, after a violent scene with Tzu-hsi, died, as it was officially described, of "pent-up anger in the heart."

The senior Dowager Empress was the next to die, and Tzu-hsi was the sole head of the government till 1889, when the young Emperor Kwang-hsu assumed power and married. The eligible young ladies were paraded before him in the presence of the Dowager, and he handed a jade sceptre to the lady he chose to honour. In this instance, by some chicanery, the sceptre was put in the hand of Tzu-hsi's niece, who was not the one on whom the honour would naturally have fallen. The failure of the war with Japan was a great blow to the Dowager Empress, and she turned to the European Powers. She received Prince Henry of Prussia in 1900, and invited the ladies of the Legations to the Palace. Meanwhile the Emperor had adopted a policy of reform, to which Tzu-hsi was bitterly opposed, and she ended by virtually deposing the Emperor and usurping his power. She persecuted his native advisers, and put to death many of them and of those who had adopted liberal ideas. "Fifty-three of the Emperor's eunuchs who were supposed to favour reform were beaten to death in the courtyard of the palace; other aides and abettors of his Majesty were beheaded, and prices were put on the heads of those who had escaped. Following these atrocities, the dowager issued a number of edicts reversing all that the Emperor had done, or had intended to do, and punishing all who had had a hand in the recent progressive measures, with a revengful spite which reminds one of the Furies of Greek Tragedy. And things were in this perilous condition when, at the following New Year, the dowager invited the ladies of the Foreign Legations to an audience. They great, and according to Sir Claude Macdonald, the "dam" made a most favourable impression by her courtesy and affability. To each of her guests she gave a present, murmuring at the same time in their ears, "All one family; all one family." "It is this habit of dissimulation which makes her so dangerous. No confidence can be placed for five minutes in her changing moods. She can be all things to all men, and while kissing and paying compliments to the ladies of the Legations, she may be devising mischief in her heart even against those she now fondles." At the New Year of 1900 she again received her "white stems," and yet "five months later she was issuing edicts which ordered her troops to throw Krupp shells and fire Mauser and Mannlicher bullets into the dwellings of the legations, and to surround the whole of Peking with their deadly extinction, thus leaving only the Chinese contingent of the one family surviving. Before the advance of the international forces the Court left Peking, and she was compelled to come back under quite different circumstances from those in which she had pictured herself triumphantly entering the capital. Still, she was equal to "swelling and bowing," and without difficulty she "carries on the same old games." She began once more to lavish her blandishments on the ladies of the Legations. It was to be hoped that events similar to those which followed their first reception would not follow later receptions, and that the Empress had learned to estimate more truly the aims and objects of the Treaty Powers.

In the opinion of Sir Robert, Tzu-hsi might be likened to Katharine of Russia. She was a cruel woman, and, in spite of all her experience, there was evidence that the old reactionary spirit was still strong in her. She was a strong-willed woman, with strong passions, and had, like Catherine, been equal to emergencies in times of political crises, and capable of exercising rule, though not always in the true interests of her countrymen. Fate has decreed that she should have already enjoyed ten more years of power than those which fell to the lot of Catherine of Russia. But time must shortly place a limit to her reign, and she may esteem herself fortunate if she escapes unscathed during the difficult times which are before the nation. There can be no doubt that at the conclusion of the war in the Far East efforts will be made by the Japanese to introduce into the same civilisation of China, their doctrine, for the reason of reform is undoubtedly working in China, though how it has leavened the mass remains to be seen. Certain it is that without that native leaven any attempt to introduce reforms from outside must be doomed to failure, for, as has been truly said, "Who would be free themselves must strike the blow."

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Hongkong, 23rd February, 1905.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE

MESSMAN Wanted by the Ward Room Officers of H.M.S. Amphitrite for passage to England. For particulars apply on board any forenoon. Hongkong, 7th March, 1905. [632]

NOTICE

WE beg to tender our most hearty Thanks to all Sympathisers with us in our sad bereavement by the death of the late lamented FRIEDRICH WILHELM HEURMANN. Home papers please copy. (Mrs.) F. W. HEURMANN, (Mr.) E. HERBST and family. Hongkong, 7th March, 1905. [633]

TO LET

SECOND FLOOR Partly Furnished No. 7, Wyndham Street. Rent \$50 per month. Apply. Hongkong, 7th March, 1905. [634]

TO LET

A LARGE and SPACIOUS ROOM or OFFICE on the First Floor of No. 34, Queen's Road Central. Possession from 1st April, 1905. For particulars, please apply to—WONG CHU SANG, Care of Yee Sang Fat, Opposite the Post Office. Hongkong, 7th March, 1905. [635]

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND of \$4 per Share for the year ending 31st December, 1903 declared at today's Ordinary Annual Meeting, will be Payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, and Hongkong Shareholders are requested to apply for Dividend Warrants at the Company's Office, Pedder's Street, after 10 A.M. To-morrow.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers. Hongkong, 6th March, 1905. [636]

PUBLIC AUCTION OF JAPANESE SILK EMBROIDERIES AND ART CURIOS.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

MONDAY, the 13th MARCH, 1905, and

TUESDAY, the 14th MARCH, 1905, commencing each day at 2.30 P.M., at the CITY HALL, Chamber of Commerce Room.

A MAGNIFICENT COLLECTION OF JAPANESE SILK EMBROIDERIES AND ART CURIOS.

Comprising—

SILK EMBROIDERED PALACE HANGINGS, PRIESTS' ROBES, TEMPLE BICOADES, OLD FUKUSA, COURT KIMONOS, SILK VELVET PICTURES (landscapes and other designs), &c. &c.

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Fine Selection of SATSUMA and other PROCELAINS—

Also

Two Fine DIAMOND RINGS and One CARVED GOLD RING.

TERMS:—As usual.

The above, which is equal to anything that has been offered for sale locally, will be on exhibition from Thursday, the 9th March. Catalogues will be issued.

GEO. P. LAMMERT, Auctioneer. Hongkong, 7th March, 1905. [637]

PUBLIC AUCTION

THE Undersigned has received instructions from FRANK SMYTH, Esq., to sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY, the 11th MARCH, 1905, commencing at 2.30 P.M., at his residence "DARTMOUTH" No. 13, Conduit Road.

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Comprising—

SILK TAPESTRY DRAWING ROOM SUITE, BEVELLED OVERMANTELS, BRASS FENDERS, FANCY TABLES, BRUSSELS CARPETS, LACE CURTAINS, &c.

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DOUBLE BEDSTEADS, WARDROBES with Bevelled Glass Doors, MARBLE-TOP WASHSTANDS, TOILET TABLES, CHEST-OF-DRAWERS, TINLINED BOX SOFAS, &c. &c.

KITCHEN, PANTRY and BATHROOM REQUISITES;

Also

One COTTAGE PIANO by COLLARD and COLLARD.

TERMS:—As Customary.

On View from Friday, the 10th March. Catalogues will be issued.

GEO. P. LAMMERT, Auctioneer. Hongkong, 6th March, 1905. [630]

SHORTHAND.

PRIVATE LESSONS given in Pitman's Shorthand. Terms moderate.

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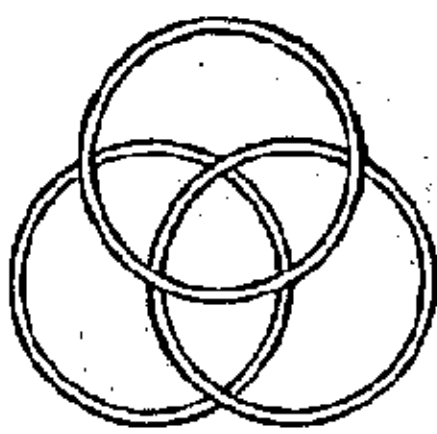
"J. W.", P. O. Box 143, Hongkong, 10th January, 1905. [200]

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

THE TRADE MARKS ORDINANCE, 1898.

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF TRADE MARK.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that "FRIED KRUPP AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT" of No. 14, Altendorfer Strasse, Essen, Ruhr, in the Empire of Germany, Manufacturers, have on the 13th day of February, 1905, applied for the registration in Hongkong, in the Register of TRADE MARKS, of the following TRADE MARK:—



in the name of "FRIED KRUPP AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT," who claim to be the Sole Proprietors thereof.

The TRADE MARK has been used by the applicants in respect of all Goods mentioned in Class 5 contained in the 2nd Schedule of the Classification of Goods of the TRADE MARKS Rules, 1898.

A Facsimile of the TRADE MARK can be seen at the Office of the Colonial Secretary of Hongkong.

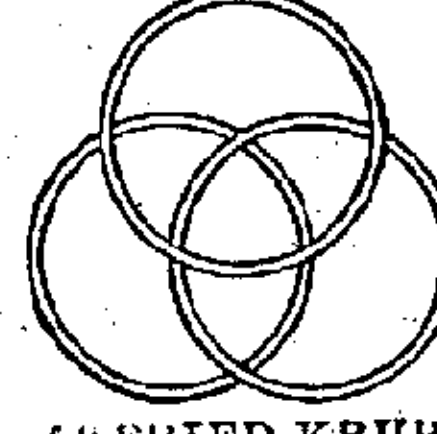
Dated the 2nd day of March, 1905.

MATTHEW J. D. STEPHENS, Agent on behalf of the Applicants. [610]

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APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF TRADE MARK.

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in the name of "FRIED KRUPP AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT," who claim to be the Sole Proprietors thereof.

The TRADE MARK has been used by the applicants in respect of all Goods mentioned in Class 6 contained in the 2nd Schedule of the Classification of Goods of the TRADE MARKS Rules, 1898.

A Facsimile of the TRADE MARK can be seen at the Office of the Colonial Secretary of Hongkong.

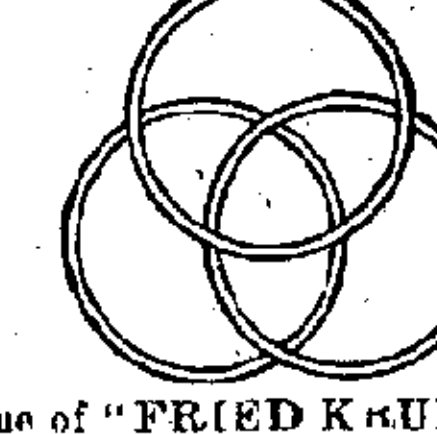
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MATTHEW J. D. STEPHENS, Agent on behalf of the Applicants. [641]

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in the name of "FRIED KRUPP AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT," who claim to be the Sole Proprietors thereof.

The TRADE MARK has been used by the applicants in respect of all Goods mentioned in Class 13 contained in the 2nd Schedule of the Classification of Goods of the TRADE MARKS Rules, 1898.

A Facsimile of the TRADE MARK can be seen at the Office of the Colonial Secretary of Hongkong.

Dated the 2nd day of March, 1905.

MATTHEW J. D. STEPHENS, Agent on behalf of the Applicants. [642]

THE HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS and CHINA OVERLAND TRADE REPORT

is now ready and contains:—

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Leading Articles:—

Cotton Mills in China.

China Getting Restive.

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Hongkong Chamber of Commerce.

Hongkong Food Supply.

Anti-Trade in China.

Universal Peace.

Hongkong Legislative Council.

Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce.

Supreme Court.

Marine Magistrate's Court.

Company Reports.

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The Weishaiwei Gold Mining Co. Ltd.

Canton Notes.

The Cattle Question.

The Chinese Splice.

Hongkong Jockey Club Race Meeting.

A Firm's Jubilee.

Kowloon Bowling Green Club.

Charges Against Consul-General Goodnow.

The Tear and Hongkong Medico.

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Hongkong, 7th March, 1905.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAICHING,"

Captain Hodgins, will be despatched for the above ports on THURSDAY, the 9th inst., at 9 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAURIE & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 7th March, 1905. [638]

STEAMSHIP "TOURANE."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London or as

Dordogne, Adour, from Havre or as

Dordogne, from Bordeaux or as

Volcanienne, Verbeekmoes, in connection with

their risks into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. Ltd.

at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless

intimation is received from the Consignees before 2 P.M. To-day, the 6th inst., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the

Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after Monday, the 13th March, at Noon, will be subject to sale and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before

Monday, the 13th March, or they will not be recognised.

All damaged packages will be examined on

Monday, the 13th March, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

L. BRIDOU, Acting Agent. Hongkong, 6th March, 1905. [639]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"LIGHTNING,"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at once, at Consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after 2 P.M., of the 9th instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited.

Consignees of Cargo are requested to take IMMEDIATE delivery of their Goods from alongside, such Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

DAVID SASSOON & CO., LD., Agents. Hongkong, 6th March, 1905. [639]

FROM NEW YORK.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"NUBIA,"

Captain Habel, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary is given before To-day, the 4th inst.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 11th instant, will be subject to sale.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 11th instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE, Hongkong Office. Hongkong, 4th March, 1905. [631]

INTIMATIONS

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Prices as usual.

Late Train 15 minutes after the Performance.

FRED. C. GARTON, Business Manager. Hongkong, 7th March, 1905. [643]

THE SWATOW GRASS CLOTH SILK and DRAWN THREAD WORK DEPARTMENT.

Wholesale and retail quotations particulars and samples, will be sent free on application to the above depot.

Swatow, 8th June, 1904. [216]

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the Official Receiver in Bankruptcy, to sell by Public Auction,

TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY), the 8th MARCH, 1905, at Noon, on the Premises, at Nos. 27 & 29, Connaught Road Central,

THE GOODS AND CHATELLETS of the HANG ON FIRM,

Comprising—

47 Cases BASS'S STOUT, 28 Cases BASS'S BEER (bottled by E. & J. BURKE), 19 Cases ASSORTED STUP, 1 Case SODA, &c., &c., &c.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Government Auctioneers. Hongkong, 7th March, 1905. [622]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the Registrar, SUPREME COURT, to sell by Public Auction,

TO-DAY (TUESDAY), the 7th MARCH, 1905, at 2 P.M., at the METROPOLITAN HOTEL, Shekwan Road,

SUNDAY GOODS AND CHATELLETS, belonging to CHRISTIE,

Comprising—

BED ROOM FURNITURE, TEAKWOOD DINING TABLES and CHAIRS, MOROCCO and SILK TAPESTRY, COVERED DRAWING ROOM SUITES, ELECTROPLATED GLASS and CROCKERY WARE, CARPETS, ENGRAVINGS, RUGS, TEAKWOOD SIDEBOARDS and DINNER WAGGONS with Bevelled Glass, &c., &c., &c.

Also

TWO IRON SAFES (One by Phillips & Foss, Birmingham and the other by S. S. Lowe, London);

And

ONE INDIAN PONY, TRAP and HARNESS COMPLETE.

Catalogues may be had on application.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Government Auctioneers. Hongkong, 3rd March, 1905. [600]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the Official Receiver in Bankruptcy, to sell by Public Auction,

TO-DAY (TUESDAY), the 7th MARCH, 1905, at 2.30 P.M., at their SALES ROOMS, No. 8, Des Vaux Road (Corner of Ice House Street),

A GREAT VARIETY OF MANILA CIGARETTES of the Best and Well-known Brands.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Government Auctioneers. Hongkong, 4th March, 1905. [611]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

THURSDAY, the 9th MARCH, 1905, at 12 o'clock Noon, at his SALES ROOMS, Duddell Street,

GREGOR & CO., WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS. 34, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL (OPPOSITE CLOCK TOWER).

OUR WHISKIES ONCE TRIED ALWAYS USED.
IMPERIAL HIGHLAND (RED TRIANGLE) AT \$16.00 PER DOZEN.
CLUB NO. 1 (GOLD TRIANGLE) AT \$18.00 " "

BAHADUR CIGARS. THE FAMOUS INDIAN CIGAR.

NO. 1	...	\$2.75 PER 100
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NO. 3	...	\$2.25 PER 100

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No. 7, BELILIOS TERRACE, 1st Row.
No. 21, " 3rd Row.
No. 18, " 3rd Row.
BUNGALOW (Furnished), at New Territory, Kowloon, 4 Rooms, low rental.
"KILLET CREST" (Furnished), Peak, for 2 1/2 months from 15th April to 30th June, 1905.
2nd FLOOR in Central position, containing Four Large Rooms, Bathroom and Lavatory, &c., with use of Electric Lift. Well suited for Offices.
Apply to—
LINSTEAD & DAVIS,
3rd Floor, Alexandra Buildings,
Hongkong, 20th January, 1905. [90]

TO LET

OFFICE ROOMS at Nos. 12 & 14, Queen's Road Central (Corner), also a small room at back. Can be let separately or wholly. Rent moderate, cheaper if the whole is taken on a long lease.
SEVEN EUROPEAN HOUSES, late P. Blackhead & Co. and Shewan, Tomes & Co.'s Offices. Ground Floors and Top Floors with Godowns can be let separately on leases.
Apply to—
CHUNG SHUN KOO,
12 & 14, Queen's Road Central,
Hongkong, 24th December, 1904. [92]

TO LET

NO. 1, STEWART TERRACE, the Peak.
Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LD.,
Hongkong, 28th March, 1904. [89]

TO LET

SUITEABLE FOR OFFICES, TWO ROOMS in Prince's Building.
Apply to—
LAUTS, WEGENER & CO.,
Hongkong, 4th March, 1905. [610]

TO LET

TWO FIRST-CLASS SHOPS, European Style, in Kowloon. Possession on or about 31st August, 1905. Moderate Rentals.
Nos. 2 and 4, SALISBURY AVENUE, Kowloon. Immediate possession. Moderate Rentals.
Apply to—
HUMPHREYS' ESTATE & FINANCE CO., LD.,
Hongkong, 21st June, 1904. [97]

TO LET

NO. 1, RIFON TERRACE.
A HOUSE in WONG-NEI-CHONG ROAD, facing Race-course.
FLATS in MORRISON TERRACE, facing the Polo Ground.
OFFICES in course of erection, CONNAUGHT ROAD (near BLAKE FIRE).
GODOWNS, PRATA EAST.
A BUILDING at Causeway Bay, at present in occupation of the Steam Laundry Co., Ltd.
Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LD.,
Hongkong, 28th June, 1904. [181]

TO LET

FOUR ROOMED HOUSE in Kowloon with joint use of Tennis Court.
Apply to—
"KOW LOON",
Hongkong, 19th January, 1905. [286]

TO LET

FINE BUILDING SITES for Sale in Wanchai Road; also GODOWN To Let. Cheap.
Apply to—
THE ROBINSON PIANO CO., LD.,
Hongkong, 10th February, 1905. [272]

TO LET

OFFICES in "Hotel Mansions," facing New Post Office and Hongkong Hotel.
Apply to—
HENRY HUMPHREYS,
Alexandra Buildings,
Hongkong, 7th January, 1905. [180]

TO LET

NEW "KINGSCLERE" with Stables, entrances in both Kennedy and Macdonnell Roads.
For full particulars, apply to—
LINSTEAD & DAVIS,
Alexandra Buildings, 3rd Floor.
Hongkong, 17th February, 1905. [478]

TO LET

AN EIGHT-ROOMED HOUSE, Well Furnished, in good situation with fine View of Harbour, Garden and Large Croquet and Tennis Lawn and Good Stabling.
For further particulars, apply to—
M.,
Care of Daily Press Office,
Hongkong, 11th February, 1905. [432]

CORNER IN GOLD.

PLAN TO EXTRACT MILLIONS FROM SEA-WATER.—\$100 FOR £10.
We reproduce this extraordinary article from the Daily Mail to show that the "South Sea bubble" is still possible. A company that can afford to pay the dividends of all other kindred companies in the world is one which should be worth getting in "on the ground floor." With considerable secrecy, plans have been perfected by a strong syndicate in the City for extracting gold from the sea. It only is if their hopes are realised, the discovery will revolutionise the gold production of the world.

This syndicate is the Industrial and Engineering Trust, Limited, and it has a modest capital of £3,000 in £1 shares.
About twenty-seven years ago Mr. H. J. Snell, the inventor of the process, discovered that there was gold in solution in the sea, varying from one to ten grains to the ton of water. The difficulty has been to find a payable process of extraction. The amount of gold in sea-water being so extremely small, the whole of the process of extraction has to be automatic. This syndicate however, claim to have fully solved the difficulty.

The process of extracting the gold under Mr. Snell's method has been submitted to Sir William Ramsay, one of the most distinguished British scientists. His report, it is claimed, leaves little room to doubt the success of the scheme.
Sir William personally supervised and carried on his tests on a commercial scale. Many tons of water were pumped into a reservoir direct from the sea, the secret chemicals which form a precipitate thrown in, the water drawn off and the precipitate analysed and treated for extraction.

Sir William Ramsay seems to have been greatly impressed with the results, and it is claimed that £100 worth of gold can be obtained at a cost of less than £10.

Of course, it is quite possible that some hitch may occur to negative this result, but the syndicate, who have so successfully guarded their secret up to now, are very sanguine that no such set-back will happen.

Small experimental works have been running for about twelve months on the south coast, but considerable land has now been acquired, where large works will be erected. Moreover, large sites not only on the English, but also on the Irish coast, have been selected as possible places for the extension of the business.

If it be true that gold can be obtained thus easily from the sea, the amount obtainable is unlimited. The question then arises whether we may not have to search for some new metal for our standard of currency.

The reply of the Industrial and Engineering Trust is that they expect to put a plant capable of turning out many millions sterling per annum, using their profits to erect other plants, but that they will never turn out so large an amount as to unduly raise true values, as this would, of course, defeat their own ends.

Those at the head of the syndicate seem to think that the world will take about 400 millions sterling without much alteration in the relative value of gold, and that afterwards it will absorb about fifty millions sterling per annum.

The total recent gold production of the world was approximately as follows:—
1901 .. 450,568,200
1902 .. 61,334,640
1903 .. 67,150,000

The figures for 1904 are not obtainable, but they are calculated to be over seventy millions sterling. The heads of the syndicate estimate that the present cost of obtaining gold from the mines averages about £2 13s. per ounce of gold worth £24. Taking the present cost to the mines at £22 10s., the total cost of producing seventy millions sterling would be £24,750,000.

The syndicate further estimate that with their process they could produce this £24,750,000 of gold at a cost of only £7,000,000. And as the world will only absorb a given amount of gold each year, they are already considering the best means of dealing with owners of mines.

Remarkable though it appears at the present time, they suggest, when their works are in full swing and their output sufficient, that representatives of the principal mines hold a meeting and appoint arbitrators to estimate what the future amount of profits of each mine will be for dividend would be. The syndicate would then hand this amount over to them each year, and the mines would be closed down.

A colossal gold trust would thus be formed, the whole seventy millions sterling worth of gold being supplied to the world yearly by the syndicate in question. A plant capable of bringing about this revolution in gold production will cost, it is thought, about £2,000,000.

CANALS IN CHINA.

There are several features of the canal system of China, especially of the Imperial or Grand Canal, which can be studied with profit by the people of the United States. One of those is the use of the canal for the production of food in addition to its use as a means of transportation.

Allied to this is the use of the muck which gathers at the bottom of the waterway for fertilisation. Another is the use of every particle of plant life growing in and around the canal for various purposes. The Chinese secure a vast quantity of food of one sort or another from their canals. However the water is supplied to the rice, it is evident that there must be a waterway leading to the field and back to a principal stream, which is generally a branch canal. These waterways naturally take up a considerable portion of the land, and the Chinese make as profitable use of them as of the land itself. The first use of the waterways is for fishing. The quantity of fish taken from the canals of China annually is immense. Along the canals in China at any time may be found a boatman gathering muck from the bottom of the canal, and as soon as the boatman has a load, he will proceed to some neighbouring farm and empty the muck, either directly on his fields—especially around the mulberry trees, which are raised for the silkworms—or in a pool, where it is taken later to the fields. From this muck the Chinese farmer will generally secure enough shellfish to pay him for his work, and the fertiliser is clear gain. The fertiliser thus secured is valuable. It is rich in nitrogen and potash, and has abundant humus elements. This dredging of the canals for fertilisers is the only way by which the Chinese have kept their canals in reasonably good condition for centuries. The fertiliser has paid for itself both ways. Recently there were complaints filed at Peking that the ashes from the steam launches plying on the canals were injuring the muck for fertilising purposes, and the problem has been considered a serious one by the Chinese Government. Where there are so many canals there is more or less swamp ground. In China this is utilised for the raising of lotus roots and nuts. These are duck farms all along the canals in China. There are profitable. The coming of railroads will affect the canals somewhat, but not so much as may be imagined. For the railroads will vary largely build up a trade of their own. A little money will make China's canal system in the future what it has been in the past, the greatest on earth.—George E. Anderson, Consul, Hangchow.

GARRISON ORDERS.

HEAD QUARTERS, HONGKONG, 6th March, 1905.
GARRISON ORDERS—Medical—No. 1. With reference to Garrison Order No. 3 of 5th ultimo, Captain F. W. Lambolde, R.A.M.C., will be Night Orderly Medical Officer at the rank from 6th to 12th March, 1905, inclusive. Address:—5 Stewart Terrace, No. 35, The Peak.

Coal Issue of—No. 2. Owing to the present cold weather, the General Officer commanding authorises an issue of coal, where the same can be utilised for two weeks, under Para. IV, Section IV, Local Regulations to all Indian Troops in Garrison. The scale of issue will be 120 lbs. for every ten men per week.

War Game—No. 3. With reference to Garrison Order No. 1 of 2nd instant, Officers attending the War Game to-morrow will wear Plain Clothes.

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THE THIRTY-SIXTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 3, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 9th March, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1904.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 24th instant, to the 9th proximo, both days inclusive.
By Order,
C. PEMBERTON,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 9th February, 1905. [415]

GEO. FENWICK & CO., LD.
THE SIXTEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the HONGKONG HOTEL on SATURDAY, the 11th day of MARCH, 1905, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, declaring a Dividend, and electing Director and Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th until 11th March, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. G. WINTERBURN,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1905. 580

GEO. FENWICK AND COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of this Company will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the Eleventh day of March, 1905, at 11.45 A.M., in the forenoon, when the following resolution will be proposed:—

"That Article X of the Company's Articles of Association and its marginal notes be and the same are hereby cancelled and that there be substituted therefor the following Article and marginal notes namely

Power to X. The Company in General Meeting may from time to time increase the capital by the creation of new shares of such amount as may be deemed expedient.

2. The new shares shall be issued upon such terms and conditions and with such rights and privileges annexed thereto as the General Meeting resolving upon the creation thereof shall direct and if no direction be given as the Directors shall determine.

3. Subject to any direction to the contrary that may be given by the Meeting that sanctions the increase of capital all new shares shall be offered to the parties who on a date to be named by the Meeting shall be members in proportion to the existing shares held by them and such offer shall be made by notice, specifying the number of shares to be allotted and the time within which the offer if not accepted will be deemed to be declined and after the expiration of such time or on the receipt of an intimation from the Member to whom such notice is given that he declines to accept the shares offered the Directors may dispose of the same in such manner as they think most beneficial to the Company.

4. Except so far as is otherwise provided by the conditions of issue or by these presents any capital raised by the creation of new shares shall be considered part of the original ordinary capital and shall be subject to the provisions herein contained with reference to the payment of calls and instalments transfer and transmission for forfeiture and otherwise.

Should the resolution be passed by the required majority it will be submitted for confirmation as a special resolution to a Second Extraordinary Meeting which will be subsequently convened.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. G. WINTERBURN,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1905. 581

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE.
THE TWENTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held at the OFFICES of the General Agents on THURSDAY, the 23rd March, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1904.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 10th to the 23rd March, both days inclusive.
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 6th March, 1905. [620]

LUZON SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE.
THE TWENTY-THIRD ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held at the OFFICES of the General Agents, Pedder's Street on THURSDAY, the 23rd March, at 12.30 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1904.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 10th to the 23rd March, both days inclusive.
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 6th March, 1905. [619]

HUMPHREYS' ESTATE & FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all Shares in respect of which the Final Call of \$7.50 per Share has not been paid will unless the same together with interest accrued and accruing thereon be paid at the REGISTERED OFFICES of the Company, Alexandra Buildings, Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on or before the 28th February, 1905, be liable to be forfeited.
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ARRIVALS.

AMPHITRITE, British steamer, 11,000, Charles Windham, 5th March.—From Weihaiwei.
POOSHING, British steamer, 1,250, T. Arthur, 5th March.—Hong Kong 24th Feb. Rice.—Matheson & Co.
HAILAN, French steamer, 277, L. Anderson, 5th March.—Pakhoi and Hoihow 4th March. General.—A. R. Marty.
KRONWAL, German steamer, 1,115, Mollermaun, 5th March.—Bangkok 24th Feb. Rice.—N. G. Lloyd.
LAURETTE, British steamer, 1,351, J. B. Jackson, 5th March.—Salon 29th February. Rice and Meal.—Chinsee.
LIGHTNING, British steamer, 2,122, J. G. Spence, 6th March.—Colombo 18th Feb. and Straits 2nd March. General.—D. Sassoon & Co.
MACHAOS, British steamer, 4,270, S. W. Long, 5th March.—Liverpool 27th January. General.—Butterfield & Swire.
MANCHURIA, American steamer, 8,750, J. W. Saunders, 5th March.—San Francisco 2nd Feb. and Manila 2nd March. General.—P. M. S. S. Co.
PRINZ SIGISMUND, German steamer, 3,310, D. Loeb, 5th March.—Yokohama 25th Feb. General.—Mellors & Co.
QUEEN LOUISE, British steamer, 2,170, W. A. Nicoll, 5th March.—Mol 25th Feb. Coal.—DeWitt & Co.
TUNATAP, Dutch steamer, 2,475, H. Kops, 6th March.—Sourabaya and Kutchinotzu via Ports 16th Feb. General.—Java-China Japan Line.
TORNAN, Chinese steamer, 942, Boyd, 5th March.—Shanghai 2nd March. General.—Chinese.
TOURANE, French steamer, 3,104, R. Girard, 6th March.—Marseilles 5th Feb. and Saigon 3rd March. Mails and General.—Messageries Maritimes.
TUNGSHING, British steamer, 1,172, T. W. Selby, 6th March.—Wuhu 24th Feb. and Chin-king 2nd March. General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
WURANO, British steamer, 1,072, H. S. Malkin, 6th March.—Wuhu 1st March. General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
ZWENKA, British steamer, 941, J. Ewart, 6th March.—Rangoon 31st Jan. Keresene.—Order.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOR MASTER'S OFFICE
6th March.
Haimun, British steamer, for Swatow.
Hongkong, British steamer, for Chiofo.
Lina, Swedish steamer, for Canton.
Tawau, British steamer, for Canton.
Touan, Chinese steamer, for Canton.
Wong, British steamer, for Canton.

DEPARTURES.

5th March.
KAT ER ELISABETH, Aust. steamer, for Swatow.
6th March.
BAROTSE, British steamer, for Nagasaki.
CHUYEN, Chinese steamer, for Shanghai.
JACOB DIEDERICHSEN, Ger. steamer, for Hoihow.
Lina, Swedish steamer, for Canton.
MAVILA, British steamer, for Shanghai.
MATHILDA, Norwegian steamer, for Mol.
SHANZUNG, British steamer, for Amoy.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

6th March.
ABERDEEN DOCKS.—
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LONDON & ANTWERP	JAPAN	Brit. str.	—	E. P. Martin, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 15th inst.
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AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	MACHAON	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 11th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	AGAMEMNON	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 25th April.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	BARALONG	Brit. str.	—	H. G. Roberts	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	To-day, at 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES, &c., via PORTS OF CALL	CALEDONIE	Brit. str.	—	Gregory	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 18th inst.
BREMEN, via PORTS OF CALL	RIEKSANIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Bahrer	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 15th inst., at Noon.
HAYRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG	PRINCESS ALICE	Ger. str.	k.w.	P. Wetlin	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 9th inst.
HAYRE & HAMBURG	SAMIRA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Launing	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 4th April.
HAYRE & HAMBURG	SERVA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Kasibel	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 18th April.
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GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	NEGOVIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Schoenfeldt	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 15th inst.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	PATROCLUS	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th April.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	ALCIBIOS	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 28th inst., at 4 P.M.
TRIESTE, &c., via SINGAPORE, &c.	M. BAQUHEM	Aus. str.	—	Rassevich	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 10th inst.
NEW YORK, via PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	ODESSA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Filler	DODWELL & CO. LD.	About 7th inst.
NEW YORK, via PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	RICHMOND CASTLE	Brit. str.	—	Nicholas	STANDARD OIL CO.	About 3rd April.
NEW YORK, via PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	SCHUYLKILL	Brit. str.	—	Habel	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 9th April.
NEW YORK, via SUEZ	NUBIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	To-morrow, at Noon.
VANCOUVER, via SHANGHAI, &c.	EMPEROR OF JAPAN	Brit. str.	2 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 15th inst.
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VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE via NAGASAKI, &c.	OSAKA	Aus. str.	—	F. G. Purinton	ODWELL & CO. LIMITED	On 30th inst.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & TACOMA via JAPAN	MINNESOTA	Aus. str.	—	J. H. Rinder	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	About 18th inst., at 4 P.M.
SEATTLE, via SHANGHAI & JAPAN	ARAGONIA	Brit. str.	—	Scheldt	PORTLAND & ASIATIC S.S. CO.	On 10th inst., at Daylight.
PORTLAND, OREGON	MINNESOTA	Aus. str.	—	Ellis	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 11th inst., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	CHANGSHA	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 14th inst.
BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE, &c.	P. SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	D. Leuz	MELCHERS & CO.	Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	CEYLON	Brit. str.	—	C. D. Goldsmith	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 18th inst.
YOKOHAMA, via SHANGHAI, MOI & KOBE	TIENHIN	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	About 11th inst.
KOBE	TIENHIN	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow.
NEWCHOW	TOURANE	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	To-day, at 6 A.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TOURANE	Brit. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 13th inst., at 4 P.M.
TIENHIN	WONGANG	Brit. str.	—	F. N. Tillard	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 11th inst.
SHANGHAI	NUBIA	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow.
NINGPO & SHANGHAI	TAIWAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	SHAW, TOMES & CO.	On 10th inst., at 10 A.M.
AMOI & MANILA	RUBI	Aus. str.	—	A. H. Notley	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 15th inst., at Daylight.
FOOCHOW, via SWATOW & AMOY	TRIUMPH	Ger. str.	—	A. Hansen	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 12th inst., at Daylight.
TAMSU, via SWATOW & AMOY	FRITHJOF	Ger. str.	—	H. A. Haraldsen	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 19th inst., at Daylight.
ANPING, via SWATOW & AMOY	D. HOBSON	Ger. str.	—	C. Olsen	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	To-morrow, at Daylight.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	HAUMUN	Brit. str.	2 h.	Schlaikier	DOUGLAS LARPAIK & CO.	To-day, at 10 A.M.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	HAUMUN	Brit. str.	2 h.	Robson	DOUGLAS LARPAIK & CO.	On 9th inst., at 9 A.M.
MANILA	TEAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	Hodgins	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day.
MANILA	LOONGSANG	Brit. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 10th inst., at 4 P.M.
MANILA	LAPELO	Brit. str.	—	R. Rodger	SHAW, TOMES & CO.	On 18th inst., at 10 A.M.
MANILA	TEBOMT	Brit. str.	—	T. W. Gardick	DODWELL & CO. LD.	About 18th April.
CEBU & LOILO	KAYONG	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 16th inst.
JAVA	PHILATAP	Dut. str.	—	—	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	NANANG	Brit. str.	—	G. Payne	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	To-morrow, at 3 P.M.
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE & PENANG	IOCHIA	Ital. str.	—	Maganzi	CARLOWITZ CO.	On 14th inst., at Noon.

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CHINA AND MANILA

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RUBI	2540	A. H. No ley	Amoy and Manila	Fri, 10th Mar., 10 A.M.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	Manila	Sat, 18th Mar., 10 A.M.

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GENERAL MANAGERS.
Hongkong, 6th March 1905.

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Hongkong, 1st March, 1905.

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STEAMERS.

1905

PRINCESS ALICE ... WEDNESDAY ... 15th March

PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD ... WEDNESDAY ... 29th March

PRINZ HEINRICH ... WEDNESDAY ... 12th April

PREUSSEN ... WEDNESDAY ... 26th April

ROON ... WEDNESDAY ... 10th May

BAYERN ... WEDNESDAY ... 24th May

ZIFEN ... WEDNESDAY ... 7th June

WEISSENHOF ... WEDNESDAY ... 21st June

SCHLESWIG ... WEDNESDAY ... 5th July

PRINZ HEINRICH ... WEDNESDAY ... 19th July

PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH ... WEDNESDAY ... 2nd August

ON WEDNESDAY, the 15th day of MARCH, 1905, at Noon, the Steamship "PRINCESS ALICE," Captain P. Wetlin, with MAILED PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, CALLING AT NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon on MONDAY, the 13th March. Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M., on TUESDAY, the 14th March, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon on TUESDAY, the 14th March.

Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50.

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Hongkong, 2nd March, 1905.

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NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAVA,
AND SUMATRA PORTS.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ALCINOUS"	On 18th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"OANFA"	On 21st March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"KANSOW"	On 25th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"AGAMEMNON"	On 28th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"JASON"	On 1st April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"LAERTES"	On 8th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"DAEDALUS"	On 15th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"CHINGWONG"	On 17th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"TELEMACHUS"	On 21st April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"DIOMEDE"	On 24th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"CALCHAS"	On 29th April.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"STENTOR"	On 14th March.
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"PATROCLUS"	On 16th March.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"ACHILLES"	On 28th March.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"MACHAON"	On 11th April.
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"ALCINOUS"	On 20th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"AGAMEMNON"	On 25th April.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and PACIFIC COAST PORTS, VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"OANFA"	On 24th March.
	"TELEMACHUS"	On 20th April.

For Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1905.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MANILA	"TEAN"	On 7th March.
NEW HANG	"ICHANG"	On 8th March.
KINGPO and SHANGHAI	"TAIWAN"	On 8th March.
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"CHANGSHA"	On 14th March.
CEBU and ILOILO	"KAIFONG"	On 18th March.

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Hongkong, 24th February, 1905.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR
VICTORIA B.C. AND TACOMA
VIA
MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamer.	Tons.	Captain.	Sailing Date.
PLEIADIS	3,753	F. G. Purington	Thursday, March 30th
SHAWMUT	2,606	E. V. Roberts	Thursday, April 13th
TREMONT	2,606	T. W. Garlick	Saturday, May 6th
LYRA	4,417	G. V. Williams	Monday, May 15th

† Cargo only.

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TREMONT	3,606 tons.	T. W. Garlick	About 18th April.
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Hongkong, 20th February, 1905.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
LONDON, &c.	"BENGAL"	Now, 11th March	See Special Advertisement.
SHANGHAI	"NUBIA"	About 11th March	Freight and Passage.
KOBE	"TIENSIN"	About 11th March	Freight only.
LONDON and ANTWERP	"JAPAN"	About 15th March	Freight and Passage.
SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES	"E. P. Martin, R.N.E."	March	Freight and Passage.
YOKOHAMA VIA SHANGHAI	"CEYLON"	About 19th March	Freight and Passage.
MOJI and KOBE	"C. F. Lockstone, R.N.E."	March	Freight and Passage.

For further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 27th February, 1905.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN, AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA
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R.M.S. "ATHEANIAN"	3,852 Tons.	WEDNESDAY, 15th Mar.
R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF CHINA"	6,000 Tons.	WEDNESDAY, 22nd Mar.
R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF INDIA"	6,000 Tons.	WEDNESDAY, 19th April.
R.M.S. "TARTAR"	4,428 Tons.	WEDNESDAY, 26th April.

Hongkong to London, 1st Class via St. Lawrence 260, via New York 232.

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THE magnificent TWIN-SCREW "EMPERESS" STEAMSHIPS passing through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA to VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS and make connection with the PALATIAL OVERLAND TRAINS FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE.

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INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"NAMSANG"	Wednesday, 8th Mar., 3 P.M.
"MANILA"	"LOONGSANG"	Friday, 10th Mar., 4 P.M.
TIENSIN	"WOSANG"	Monday, 13th Mar., 4 P.M.

* These steamers have superior accommodation for First-Class Passengers and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.

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JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
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Hongkong, 6th March, 1905.

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG SHANGHAI INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA FOR
PORTLAND, OREGON
OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH THE
OREGON RAILROAD & NAVIGATION CO.

STEAMSHIP	Tons.	Captain	TO SAIL AT DAYLIGHT ON
"ARAGONIA"	5,198	Schmidt	March 10th, 1905.
"NICOMEDIA"	4,370	Wagner	March 21st, 1905.
"NUMANTIA"	4,370	Brehmer	April 20th, 1905.
"ARABIA"	4,433	Hale	May 11th, 1905.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Ports and all Eastern, Canadian and United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate with or apply to

ALLAN CAMERON, GENERAL AGENT.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1905.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS.

PLYMOUTH, LONDON, LONDON, Tientsin, HILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR

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THE Steamship

"BENGAL"

Captain G. Phillips, carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this Port on SATURDAY, the 11th March, at Noon, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's s.s. "Oceana," 6,610 tons, from Colombo. Passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong. Silk and Valuable, all cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement), will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London. Other cargo for London &c., will be conveyed from Bombay by the R.M.S. "Persia," due in London on the 22nd April, 1905.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

For further particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 27th February, 1905.

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP.

THE Company's Steamship

"MERIONETHSHIRE"

Captain C. H. Burell, will be despatched for the above ports on or about MONDAY, the 20th March.

This steamer has superior accommodation for passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SHEWAN TOMES & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 27th February, 1905.

FOR NEW YORK VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.

(WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT THE MALABAR COAST).

THE Steamship

"SCHUYLKILL"

Captain Nicholas, due here on or about April 3rd, will have prompt despatch as above.

She will be followed by the s.s. "HUDSON," Captain Barnett, sailing hence on or about April 15th.

For Freight & further information, apply to
STANDARD OIL COMPANY
OF NEW YORK,
Oriental Freight Department,
4, Des Voeux Road, Central,
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1905.

FOR CANTON.

THE new and fast Twin-Screw Steamer

"SAN CHEUNG"

351 Tons, Captain J. McGinty, will leave for Canton at 9 P.M. on SUNDAY, TUESDAY, and THURSDAY, and return to Hongkong on the following days, leaving Canton at 5 P.M. Excellent accommodation, electric light, and perfect cuisine. Wharf at Hongkong near Harbour Office.

First-class Fare, \$3 each way. Second-class, \$1.50 each way. Meals, \$1 each.

Cargo Freight very moderate.

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No. 147, Connaught Road Central,
Hongkong, 15th March, 1904.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED, AND CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

"OOPACK"

are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., where in both cases it will lie at Consignee's risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after 2nd March.

Optional Cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined at 11 A.M., on the 7th March.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 7th March, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 10th March, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 29th February, 1905.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN. IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 7 o'clock TO-NIGHT, the 1st inst.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 7th inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Tuesday, the 7th inst., at 9.30 A.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 13th inst., or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st March, 1905.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"MANILA"

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, MALTA, PORT SAID, SUEZ AND ST. PAULI.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out, Mark by Mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This Vessel brings up Cargo—
From London, &c., ex *Macdonald*.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 1 P.M. TO-DAY, the 4th inst.

Goods not cleared by the 10th inst., at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's representatives at an appointed hour. All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 4th March, 1905.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOUGH, ANTWERP, LONDON AND PORTS.

THE Bucknall Line Steamship

"BAROTSE"

having arrived from the above Port, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godown at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out, Mark by Mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before 4 P.M. TO-DAY, the 4th inst.

Goods not cleared before the 11th inst., will be subject to rent.

All ship-damaged packages must be left in the Godowns and notice of same sent to this Office before the 14th inst., or claims in connection therewith will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,
Agents.

Hongkong, 4th March, 1905.

NOTICE TO KOWLOON RESIDENTS

EXTRA COPIES of Daily Press are on sale daily at Mr. H. BUTTONE'S KOWLOON STORE, No. 33, Elgin Road. Price 15 cents per copy cash.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1905.

SHIPPING IN PORT.

STEAMERS.

ANROGEM, British str., 2,343, Keith, 3rd March.—Hamburg 2nd March, Genoa.—Carlowitz & Co.

AROUS, British str., 1,822, D. W. Wislop, 24th Feb.—Singapore 18th Feb., Coal.—Doddwell & Co.

BOURBON, French str., 997, Sien, 27th Feb.—Saigon 23rd Feb., Rice, Chinese.

CARL MEYER, German str., 984, G. Cornand, 18th February.—Chefoo 15th Feb., General.—East Asiatic Trading Co.

CATHERINE ARCAS, British str., 1,730, Stewart, 29th Feb.—Calcutta 4th Feb., Penang 11th and Singapore 14th, General.—D. Sassoon & Co.

CHRYSEIS, Chinese str., 1,177, Stewart, 26th February.—Shanghai 23rd Feb., General.—Chinese.

DORIC, British str., 4,875, Harry Smith, R.N., 3rd March.—San Francisco 2nd Feb. and Shanghai 28th, Mails and General.—O. & S. S. Co.

EGBERT CASTLE, British str., 1,331, J. Mood, 10th Feb.—Cardiff 17th Dec., Coal.—Bradley & Co.

EMPEROR OF JAPAN, British str., 3,039, Hy. Pybus, 15th Feb.—Yamaguchi 23rd Jan., Shanghai 12th Feb., Mails and General.—C. P. R. Co.

EVA, German str., 2,951, Ratter, 26th Feb.—Mororan 10th Feb.—Order.

FORBES HALL, British str., 1,931, P. A. Logan, 14th Jan.—New York 7th August, Petroleum.—Standard Oil Co.

FRANKLYN, British str., 3,121, W. C. Brown, 20th Feb.—Cardiff 15th Feb., Coal.—Doddwell & Co.

HANGSANG, British str., 1,356, Wilde, 28th Feb.—Shanghai 24th Feb. and Swatow 27th, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

ICHANG, British str., 1,228, Jones, 23rd Feb.—Yulu 17th Feb., Rice.—Butterfield & Swire.

IRAL, British str., 3,490, Robertson, 10th Feb.—Durban 17th January, Ballast.—Gibb, Livingstone & Co.

INDRAVELL, British str., 3,125, S. Collington, 28th Nov.—Shanghai 24th Nov.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

JACOB DIERCKHOFSEN, German str., 623, B. Olsen, 3rd March.—Pakhoi 26th Feb. and Hoihow 1st Mar., General.—Jensen & Co.

KATHARINE PARK, British str., 3,775, W. H. Copp, 12th Jan.—Sasebo (Japan) 26th Jan., Light.—Gibb, Livingstone & Co.

KOHICHANG, German str., 1,292, C. Goswisch, 2nd March.—Bangkok 22nd Feb., Rice and Timber.—Butterfield & Swire.

